

House Resolution No.

Whereas, as the 2006-2007 school year draws to a close, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives pause to applaud the career achievements of those individuals who are retiring from the field of education; and

Whereas, the Van-Far R-I School District is losing a valuable member of its faculty in May 2007, with the retirement of Joyce Nolan who has devoted numerous years of her life to the education of this state's young citizens through tireless endeavors as an educator; and

Whereas, Joyce Nolan has taught for thirty-one years at Van-Far R-I, where she is held in high esteem as an educator who demonstrates considerable competence and remarkable degrees of compassion and understanding; and

Whereas, deeply committed to the great cause of learning, Joyce Nolan served as a secretary and payroll clerk with Bobbie Brooks and State Farm Insurance for twelve years prior to assuming her responsibilities at Van-Far R-I, where she has taught fourth grade, first grade, remedial math, remedial reading, and Title I reading; and

Whereas, Joyce Nolan has watched her pupils grow, develop, and mature through the knowledge she has imparted to them both as a teacher and as a friend; and

Whereas, listed in Who's Who of American Teachers, Joyce Nolan has also enjoyed recognition by being a cheerleading sponsor, being named Fan of the Year, receiving the Chief's Appreciation Award, and teaching GED classes at the Women's Eastern Reception, Diagnostic and Correctional Center in Vandalia; and

Whereas, Joyce Nolan has been blessed with the love and support of a wonderful family whose members include two daughters and one son-in-law, Lori Gilley and Natalie and Lucas Gibson; and three grandsons, Nolan Gilley, Cody Gilley, and Gage Gibson:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, join the Van-Far R-I School District in expressing appreciation for the unparalleled service that Joyce Nolan has rendered to Missouri's children and in wishing her the long, fruitful, and enjoyable retirement that she so justly deserves with ample opportunity to play golf and computer games, read, and travel; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for Joyce Nolan, as a measure of the high esteem in which we hold her.

Offered by _____
Representative Terry L. Witte
District No. 10

I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, First Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. ____, adopted ____, 2007.

Rod Jetton, Speaker